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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

As noted in the Office Action dated May 21, 2003, Claims 1-6, 9-12 and 14-23 are pending in this application, Claims 1-6, 9-12 and 23 are allowed and Claims 14-22 are rejected.

Claim 14 has been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as unpatentable for containing compounds seen in claims 11 and 12 of U.S. Patent No. 6,265,382. By amendment, applicants have deleted the two compounds in question.

Claims 15 to 22 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. By amendment herein, Applicants have cancelled Claims 15-22 and retain the right to present the subject matter of those claims in a divisional application.

The Examiner has acknowledged that Claims 1-6, 9-12 and 23 are directed to allowable subject matter. Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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